Hixburg

Hixburg, Oct. 12.- The Homecoming day at Mathews Baptist Church was a big success. Had former members and friends from all of the section, and some from out of the state, Rev. W. M. Black, a former pastor, was the guest speaker. A sumptuous dinner was served on the grounds at 1 P.M.

Miss Mae Hix and W. D. Hix, Jr. had as their guests for the occasion Mrs. Bill Erwin, Sears Hix, of N. C. and Miss Carrie Hix, of Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Sears and Mrs. H. M. Marshall had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Billy Gilliam, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gilliam, of Statesville, N. C., and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Gilliam, of Lynchburg, and Herman Sears and daughter, of High Point, N. C.

Mrs. C. B. Carson and Jean were week-end guests at "Walnut Shade." Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Singleton were callers there in the afternoon.

Dr. Twyman Williams will preach at Hixburg Presbyterian Church at 8 P.M. the third Sunday.

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Trinity Road

Trinity Road, Oct. 12.- Rev. Edward Hughes will preach at Hebron Baptist Church Sunday night. Every one has a special invitation.

The Hebron W. M. U. will meet Sunday A. M., after Sunday School.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Risley, Jr. and sons, of Lynchburg, and Miss Majorie Roberts, of South Boston, were guests of Mrs. S. E. Anderson and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Stratton had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Stratton and baby, Dianne, of South Boston, Miss Jean Stratton, of Glades; Miss Eleanor Thompson, of Richmond, and Marshall Stratton, of Stonewall.

Mrs. John Smith and daughter, Patsy, of Chilhowie, arrived Monday to spend several days with Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. S. E. Anderson.

Mrs. Ola Pattrick is visiting her mother in Albemarle County this week.

Fertilizer Is Valuable For Succeeding Crops

Farmers who think fertilizer costs should be charged off in one year are overlooking carry-over assets that pay long-term dividends in bigger crop yields, according to Middle West Soil Improvement committee.

A good feed of fertilizer gives the soil a backlog of plant nutrients that benefit succeeding crops. Well-fortilized legume-grass crops in any good soil building program leave behind them important carry-over values. Legume-grass mixtures fed with plenty of phosphate and potash will add to the soil's organic matter and build soil structure. They will improve tilth, drainage and ventilation.

Because of these carry-over benefits, agronomists recommend a minimum of three years for charging off the cost of fertilizer applications.

Private Life of Bossy

In the current craze for dissecting private lifes even Bossy is not immune. The inevitable probe comes up with these statistics:

Bossy grazes only seven and a half hours daily, regardless of how much feed she eats. She does 69 per cent of her grazing during daylight hours, 19 per cent at night. She spends five hours a day eating at a rate of 30 to 70 bites per minute. She chews her cud seven hours a day and spends 12 hours lying down, at nine different times. While grazing, she travels two and a half miles in the daytime and one and a half at night. She drinks 10 times a day.

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Farm Topics

Better Care, Feeding Increase Hog Profits

Improved Rations and Cleanliness Stressed

Extra care for the brood sow and her litter, with emphasis on cleanliness and better feeding, will assure extra profits whether the herd includes one sow or a hundred.

Proof of that assertion is contained in the experience of Joseph O'Bryan of Hiatville, Kas., nationally-known breeder and exhibitor of purebred Hampshires, who raises about 3,000 hogs a year, most of them for market.

Although O'Bryan raises hogs on a wholesale scale, he keeps his op-

O'Bryan with part of his herd of 3,500 purebred Hampshire gilts.

eration on an individual farm basis as a means of insuring proper care. A program of better care and better feeding for sows and their litters, introduced on his farms in the fall of 194-, already has paid dividends, O'Bryan reports. With 100 litters last spring, he raised as much pork as he formerly raised from 150.

Early in the gestation period sows were given a special ration of 60 per cent oats, 5 per cent meat scrap, 4 per cent pelletized milk product and the balance corn or wheat. Sows were sprayed and washed thoroughly prior to farrowing. Clean pens and a brooder for the little pigs also were provided. The sow's ration was changed when the pigs were about two weeks old, cutting down oats to about 40 per cent and increasing portions of wheat or corn.

At less than two weeks of age little pigs were started creep feeding in a low pan or trough. Their ration consisted of 50 per cent oats, 4 per cent meat scrap, 4 per cent pelletized milk product and the balance course wheat. Pans and troughs were washed and disinfected regularly. As the little pigs grow, oats in the ration is reduced while corn or wheat is increased to about 70 to 80 per cent.

Summarizing the program, O'Bryan maintains that he had much stronger pigs at birth, with earlier, faster and cheaper gains and a marked reduction in mortality.

'Police Force'

Plenty of organic matter is a good "police force" for ridding soil of bacteria that cause diseases of growing crops, R. C. Thomas, associate pathologist of the Ohio agricultural experiment station, estimates that 50 million bacteria live in a single ounce of soil. Some of these are beneficial. Others are harmful to crops. The good kind rot the organic matter and release plant nutrients to build a fertile soil. The harmful kind cause plant disease.

Adding organic matter to soil will help increase the good kind and at the same time cut down the harmful bacteria population. Adding organic matter makes the soil a better home for the good kind so they flourish and grow. Extracts from organic matter contain viruses that make disease - causing bacteria harmless to plants.

A good soil management program will increase the soil's organic matter supply and help free the land of disease-causing bacteria.

Stinking Smut Remains Major Wheat Disease

Bunt or stinking smut remains a major wheat disease even though science knows how to control it, demonstrating the need for continual vigilance in preventive measures.

Plant scientists recommend use of resistant varieties combined with treatment of the seed with a reliable fungicide. Where practical, the grower should avoid planting when the soil temperature favors development of smut in the soil.

Richwood

Richmond, Oct. 13.- Divine services will be held at Centre Baptist Church Sunday evening.

The W. M. U. held a study course at Central Baptist Church at 7 P.M. Tuesday, with Mrs. Cecil Carter as leader.

The Richwood unit of the Home Demonstration Club is being formed by Mrs. Carter Martin, and the next meeting will be held at her home Friday afternoon, October 22.

The Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Carter were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh Tuesday evening.

Master T. R. Arrington was taken to a Lynchburg hospital Tuesday for a major operation.

The latest increase in the population in this area was a fine six pound baby girl, born to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cordell on Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 5. All are well.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fleshman were in Lynchburg on business last Thursday.

A Thanksgiving offering is being requested by Central Baptist Church to help finance the building of the new Sunday School rooms. It is hoped that all offerings will be in by the time for services on the evening of November 21.

Mrs. Frank Jones was shopping in Lynchburg last Thursday.

Mrs. James Arrington was taken to a Lynchburg hospital Tuesday of last week, returning home Sunday. She is doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph May were shopping in Lynchburg Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh visited Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh at Rocks Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. John Moore and family visited with Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Moore Sunday, to take a part in the celebration of little Miss Rebecca Moore's 5th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cordell and son, James were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cordell.

Mrs. Fred Wooldridge called on Mrs. D. A. Pugh Tuesday afternoon.

J. C. Holland and S. H. Sutherland, of Washington, D. C., were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Watt.

Mrs. Ray Godsey and children, and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh attended the reunion Sunday at Oakville, of all the offspring of four generations of Mr. Stephen Thomas Marsh.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pillow, of Lynchburg visited Mrs. Lilley Pillow Tuesday.

Mysterious 'X Disease' Termed Serious Threat

"Hyperkeratosis" is the jawbreaking name of a baffling cattle disease now causing trouble on thousands of farms, particularly in southeastern states.

Known also by the simpler terms of "X disease" and "double X disease," the new malady has caused serious loss in at least 26 states and poses a serious threat to output of meat, milk and other animal products.

One symptom of the disease is a marked thickening of the skin. So far, efforts to transmit it and to treat it with drugs have been unsuccessful.

Agriculture department scientists are cooperating with specialists of several southeastern states in an intensive study of the disease.

Uncle Sam Says

How about making Ring Day this year Security Day for you and your family? The two observances go hand in hand because your security is inseparable from the country's Security. Whatever you do for your own future good, such as buying United States Savings Bonds regularly through the payroll savings plan where you work, helps to stabilize America's economy. Help keep Old Glory flying over the land of the free and the home of the brave for your children and your children's children.

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Announce Political Rally Here Saturday Night

Father Darkleaf's Column

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e were sitting there in 's office, down in East- the other week, talk- imes of more than twen- s, and hearing him ex- azing antique collection the conversation got a- ers. Doctor J. C. says, have you seen?" and m we have been to New w this and that as well so . . and of course we Get Your Gun" - New st hit. "Annie who," J. C. - 'Don't tell me ade a New York show Oakley!" Well, we up t's the way it is, Annie her famous shooting h Frank Butler, and her with Buffalo Bill and old "Great heavens," says "Do you know that once th the original Annie was Mrs. Frank Butler And while he was tell- hat, we fell to thinking a gal was Annie!

kley was a real person, America's best. Her ndle a gun was uncanny ats have never been e shot a dime from be- usband's thumb and 30 paces; she could hit balls by taking sight rface of a bowie three double-barrel six balls, firing simul- ns at many traps.

kley was born in Darke o, on a poor farm. Her froze to death when she broke her nose. But she rt. She finally met Frank Butler in a shoot- He was the best shot of ch shot at 25 live birds Butler hit 24. Annie Butler and Annie Oak- rried. She joined the w, known as "Buffalo West Show." The show ps in 1887. Played be- Victoria twice. Annie famed Grand Duke Mi- ssia in a match.

and in Germany she shot from the mouth of Will- zollern—Kaiser Bill

kley quit the show busi- 16. At fifty-six her aim ed as ever. After she re- taught marksmanship in N. C. Finally she settled yton, Ohio. Doctor J. C. t her at a swell estate in She died in 1926. Frank d 18 days after Annie

w the biggest hit show in y is "Annie Get Your g Berlin wrote the songs has been running for sev- straight in New York The cost about $7 each. Want ll right, we used up our week, but very soon we column about Annie!

ome Agent's Schedule For Next Week

Demonstration Agent's week of October 25-30:

y, October 25.- Clover Hill Demonstration Club meets P. M., at the home of Mrs. Conner.

Home Demonstration ets at 2:00 P.M., at the Mrs. Ruth Jennings.

sday, Oct. 26.- The Trinity Demonstration Club meets P.M., at the home of Mrs. Moore.

Wednesday, Oct. 27.- The Spout Home Demonstration Club 8:00 P. M., at the home Wesley Martin.

Demonstration for each club making.

Pictured above: Lion C. T. Moses, Jr., presents "Miss Appomattox" after contest Thursday night. (Photo by Charlie Carter.)

Miss Joyce Christian, who was voted to be "Miss Appomattox County" at a contest here Thursday night, is in Farmville today for the Farmville sesquicentennial celebration. She will be attended by two "princesses," Miss Helen Mae Poe and Miss Faye Wood.

A beautiful float has been prepared for the occasion. It is a replica of the Appomattox Memorial Bridge, and was planned by Mr. Richard Janatka, assisted by Mrs. Janatka and Mr. Frank Hanenkrat. Confederate flags have been painted on each side of the float. A committee headed by Mrs. J. C. Caldwell, Mrs. S. S. Shouse, Mrs. Clarence Staples and Mrs. Frank Carr decorated the float with greens to give the bridge a natural setting.

TheAppomattox Cub Scouts, Pack 46, will escort the float in the parade in Farmville.

PARADE HERE SATURDAY

On Saturday afternoon, October 23, the float will be on parade in the streets of Appomattox, with the scouts as escort. All girls who participated in the beauty contest are invited to come dressed in evening clothes and ride on the float. They are asked to assemble at the battery factory at 2:30.

The public is invited to come to Appomattox to see Saturday's parade.

Church Seeks Relief Fund

TO TAKE OFFERING FOR RELIEF WORK

Members of the Appomattox Seventh-day Adventist Church will again take an offering, Saturday, October 23rd, for the Famine Relief Fund sponsored by their denomination, which has set a goal of $600,000 to be used in purchasing food for the unfortunate people of Europe and Asia. The local members expect to equal the $104.00 raised in a similar offering last year.

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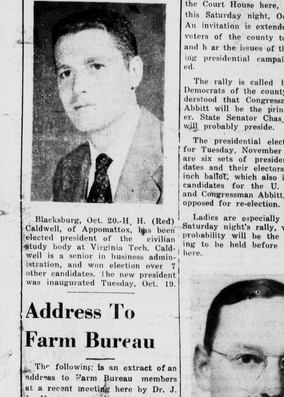

Above: Three finalists in beauty contest Thursday night,left to right Miss Joyce Christian, Miss Faye Wood, Miss Helen Mae Poe.

High School Chatter....

Hi, chums! Ready for some more Chatter? Well, here it is:

It took something like last Thursday night for us to realize what good looking gals we have around here. I surely am glad I didn't have to be a judge! Everyone really looked wonderful.

If you see some poor kid staggering around with a big load of books don't be alarmed. It's just one of the Latin "slaves" carrying an upperclassman's books.

The candidates for office in the Latin Club have been announced as follows:

Imperator: Helen Mae Poe, Sonny Martin; Imperator Secundas: David Austin, Mary Ellen Ramsey; Scriba: Betty Jane Wingfield, June Holt; Nuntis: Virginia Lewis, Ines Hanenkrat.

Everyone in the 11th grade is excited about ordering class rings.

Our football team is really on the beam. They defeated Brookville High 7 to 0 last Wednesday. Everyone must be sure to come out to see them play Natural Bridge here Friday at 8:00 P. M.

Everyone is very busy this week. I wonder why? Could it be because six week exams are coming up?

The 11th grade girls have a new pupil. She is Mildred Wood. Welcome to A. H. S., Mildred!

It seems that since some of the students have been taking Spanish, they go around saying "adios" instead of 'goodbye.' So—adios until next week.

Legion To Have Ladies Night

On Friday, October 22, at 7:30, the Appomattox Post of the American Legion will have a ladies night dinner meeting at the Legion home. All Legionnaires, their ladies, and all veterans are invited. There will be entertainment and refreshments.

Rev. Maxwell New Pastor

The Rev. R. C. Maxwell was named to be pastor of Memorial Methodist Church here at the Annual Virginia Conference. He will succeed the Rev. F. M. Lucas, who was transferred to Grace Church, Danville in the announcement of pulpit changes Monday at the Conference session in Norfolk.

Rev. Maxwell comes to Appomattox from the Grace Branch Methodist Church, Richmond. He plans to move October 28th, and preach his first sermon here October 31st.

Friends here will wish the Rev. Lucas success in his new pastorate.

Rev. D. M. Spence will return to the Appomattox Circuit.

Dr. Thomas F. Carroll will be the Superintendent of the Lynchburg District, to succeed Dr. C. C. Bell, who was transferred to the Green Memorial Methodist Church, Roanoke. Dr. Carroll has been pastor of Epworth Church, in Norfolk, since 1944.

HEADS STUDENT BODY

Blacksburg, Oct. 20.-H. H. (Red) Caldwell, of Appomattox, has been elected president of the civilian study body at Virginia Tech. Caldwell is a senior in business administration, and won election over 7 other candidates. The new president was inaugurated Tuesday, Oct. 19.

Address To Farm Bureau

The following is an extract of an address to Farm Bureau members at a recent meeting here by Dr. J. L. Maxton, agricultural economist, Extension Service:

"The marketing situation today is unusual to say the least. Today we find the greatest employment (61,000,000 millions) at the highest wage rates in history. This year we have the greatest crop production in history associated with price decline in grains, and at the same time the greatest demand for livestock and livestock products accompanied by price advances for these products.

"The export situation on the European Recovery Program is planned to be continued into 1949 but with slackening demand for agricultural products and increased demand for manufactured and production goods.

"We expect our farm program to be continued because of the efforts of the farm organizations, although the manner of determining parity is to change, and support prices are to be on a sliding scale in adverse relationship to supply commencing in 1950.

"I took the occasion to look up some figures for Appomattox County to see just where you fit into this picture as a county and individually on a type of farming basis. Here are facts for your county as of 1945: Number of farms, 1,094; area in farms, 147,720 acres; value of land and buildings, $3,194,390; improved land in farms 60 per cent or 44,385 acres; land in corn 20 per cent or 9,152 acres; land in wheat 16 per cent or 7,568 acres; land in oats 1 per cent or 276 acres; land in hay 19 per cent or 8,470 acres; land in tobacco 4 per cent or 2,123 acres; number of beef cattle 5531; number of dairy cattle 2,206; number of horses 928; number mules 601; number swine, 2,507; number sheep 147; number chickens 56,770; number tractors 167.

"A drop in prices to support levels or below would be a major catastrophe to farmers. There is reason to expect further weakening in grain prices to approach support levels of 90 per cent of parity***

"The year 1949, if one of average production of agricultural products, may be expected to be a year of downward price adjustments for many products and improvements in efficiencies of production."

The speaker stated that greatest chance for "fair play" should come from action of farm organizations at state, local and national levels and in technological advances resulting in lower production costs.

Many Virginia daily newspapers endorse Dewey.

Dewey says isolationism is impossible in America.

Truman speaks in Raleigh.

There will be a political rally at the Court House here, at 8 o'clock this Saturday night, October 23rd. An invitation is extended to all the voters of the county to come out and hear the issues of the approaching presidential campaign discussed.

The rally is called by leading Democrats of the county. It is understood that Congressman W. M. Abbitt will be the principal speaker. State Senator Chas. T. Moses will probably preside.

The presidential election is set for Tuesday, November 2nd. There are six sets of presidential candidates and their electors on the 24 inch ballot, which also includes five candidates for the U. S. Senate, and Congressman Abbitt, who is unopposed for re-election.

Ladies are especially invited to Saturday night's rally, which in all probability will be the only speaking to be held before the election here.

CONGREEMAN ABBITT TO SPEAK AT RALLY

Football Game Friday Night

The Appomattox High School football team defeated Brookville, of Lynchburg 7 to 0, in a game in the Lynchburg City Stadium last week. Brookville had a heavy team, which averaged around 190 pounds. However, the local eleven showed much improvement in blocking and running, with the boys showing lots of spirit and drive.

Sam Ferguson scored the touchdown on an off-tackle run.

The Appomattox team will play Natural Bridge H. S. here October 22nd at 8:00 P. M., at the Leg Theatre Park. This promises to be a fine game.

A. H. S. Plans Home-Coming

Appomattox High School is making plans for a Home-Coming celebration on November 5. The event will be followed by a football game between Randolph - Henry High School, of Charlotte County, and A. H. S.

The program will include a parade, featuring floats from each class, the Appomattox cheersleaders and possibly the Randolph - Henry band and cheerleaders.

The football game will be played at eight o'clock. Between the halves at the game, there will be a ceremony at which a "king" and a "queen" from A. H. S. will be crowned. All alumni and friends of the school are invited.

Legion asks that Communism be outlawed.

Neutral nations on UN Security Council draft new plan to end the Berlin blockade.

Troops crush revolt in Southern Korea.